

Public Utilities Commission SMART Act Hearing

Joint Energy Committees
January 20, 2022

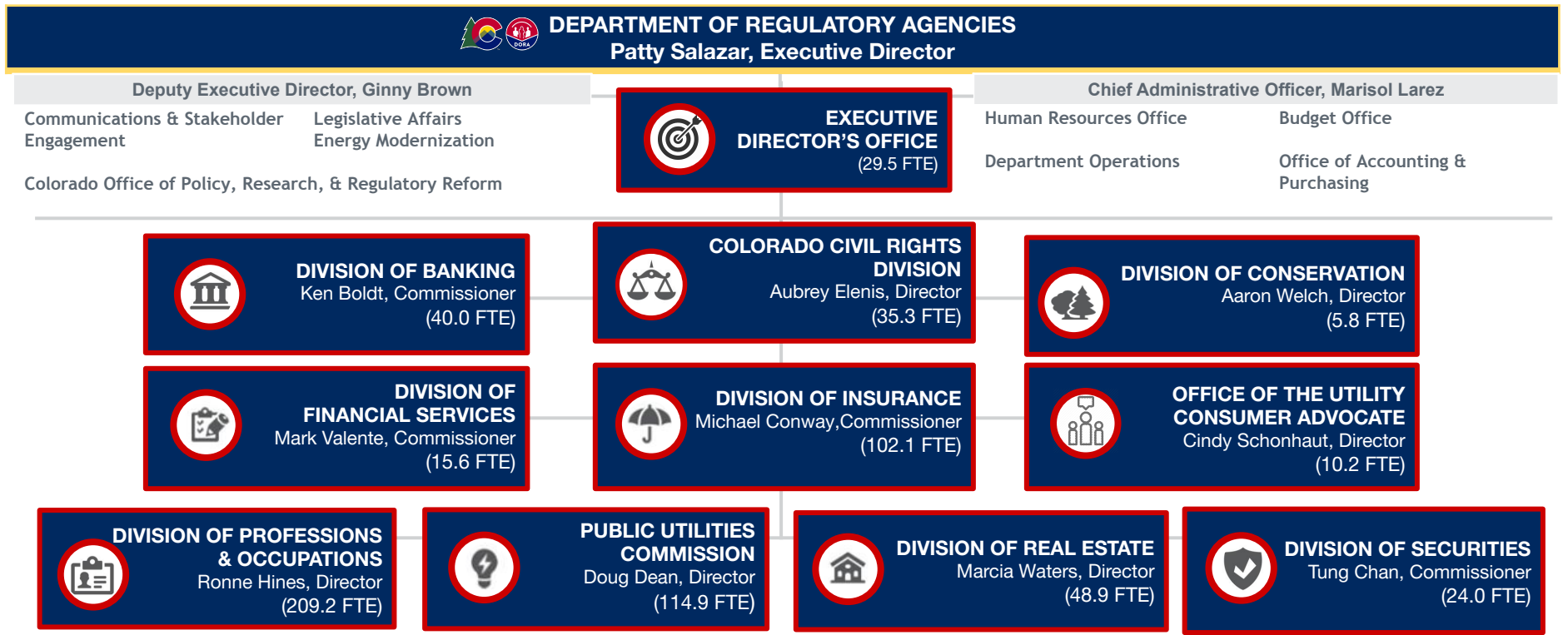


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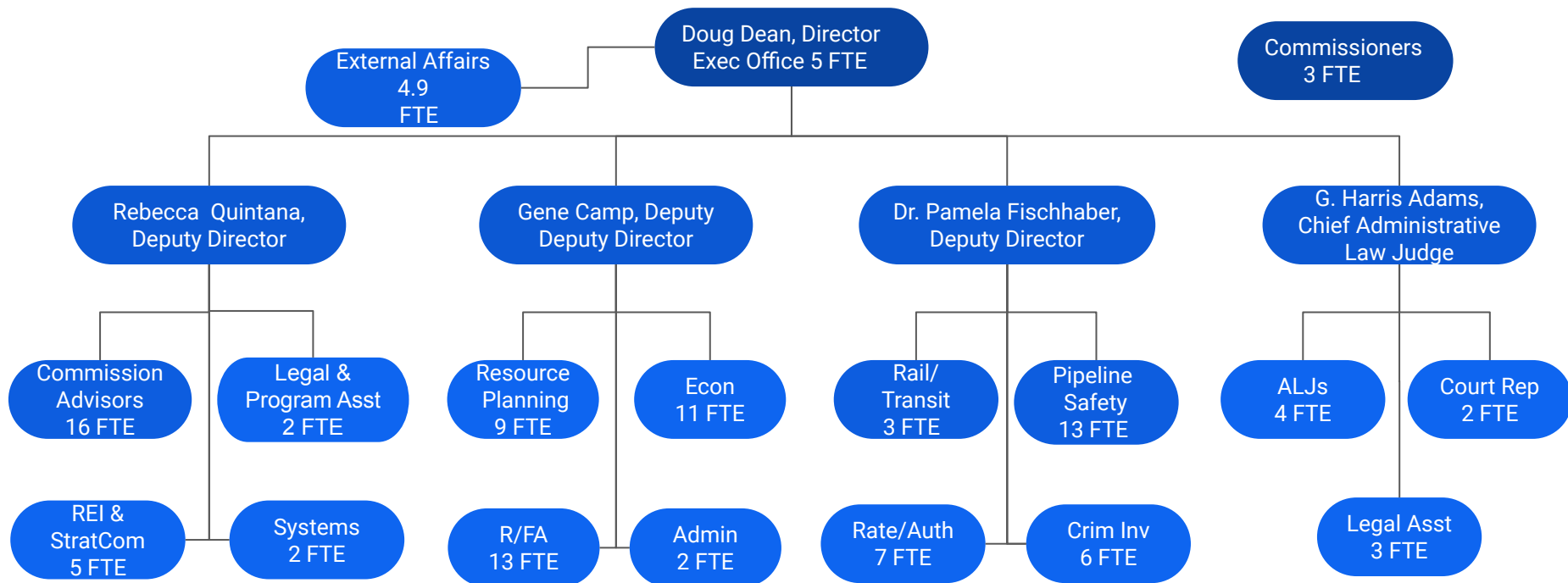
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DORA's Organizational Chart



PUC Organizational Chart



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PUC Commissioners



Eric Blank, Chair



John Gavan



Megan Gilman



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Public Utilities Commission Mission

PUC mission is to...

The Colorado Public Utilities Commission (PUC) serves the public interest by effectively regulating utilities and facilities so that the people of Colorado receive safe, reliable, and reasonably-priced services consistent with the economic, environmental and social values of our state.



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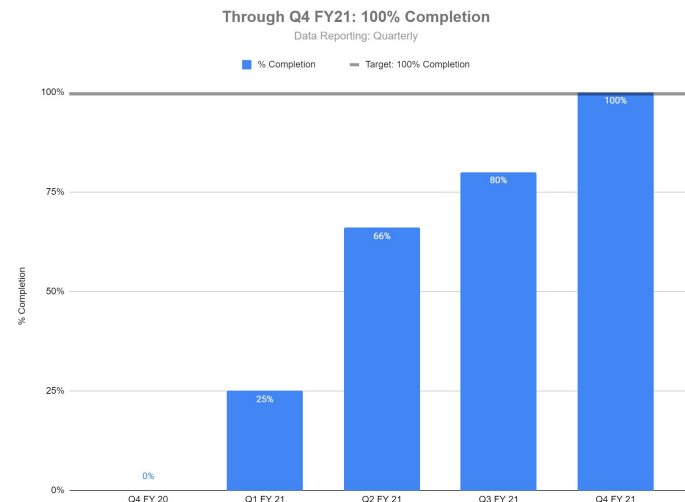
PUC's FY 2020-21 Wildly Important Goal (WIG)

Create a PUC Operational Modernization Plan to Support the Governor's Goal of 100% Renewable Energy Resources by 2040

Create a PUC Operational Modernization Plan in an effort to support the Governor's goal of 100 percent renewable energy resources by 2040. The plan identified operational strategies to begin implementation by June 30, 2021, and full implementation, including technological system upgrades, by June 30, 2023.



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Modernization Plan Implementation

Since June 30, 2021 implementation, six primary operational strategies have been put in place with a target of full implementation by June 30, 2023 (including electronic systems replacement). We currently stand at 74% implementation.

- Policy & External Affairs
- Fixed Utilities
- Hearings Process
- Public Access & Technology
- Public Safety
- General



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More Information

To view monthly updates on Wildly Important Goals and corresponding lead measures, please visit the [Governor's Dashboard](#).

For more information on additional PUC goals, view our FY 2020-21 Performance Plan at: operations.colorado.gov/performance-management/department-performance-plans

To view our progress on implementation of the PUC's Operational Modernization Plan, visit <https://puc.colorado.gov/puc-modernization-plan>



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Value to Colorado

Over the past 5 years, the PUC has saved Colorado consumers **\$7.97** for every **\$1** spent to run the agency.



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Transparency and Communication

- All PUC Hearings are webcasted live and recorded.
- Regularly issue consumer and industry advisories.
- Regularly issue news releases about topics of interest.
- E-Filing System provides access to all publicly-available Commission filings via the internet free of charge.
- Legislative implementation website so public can track progress of implementation of laws passed by the General Assembly at:
https://puc.colorado.gov/puc_legislation_implementation
- Modernizing PUC website to be a “no wrong door” for government services.
- Improving general accessibility by using plain language and including Spanish translations for pertinent consumer information.



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PUC Performance Management

PUC develops key targets and closely monitors progress

- Clear and attainable goals.
- Ensure Commissioners have information they need to make decisions in the public interest.
- Breaking down of silos between different sections of staff as permissible.
- Research and Emerging Issues staff seeking expertise across PUC sections.



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- Regular communication to ensure progress is being made.
- Individual employee performance plans tied to attainment of goals.
- Priorities communicated through all levels of the PUC to inform our objectives.
- Looking at other state's PUC's to identify best practices.



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PUC FY 2021-22 Budget

FY 2021-22 Budget Snapshot

FY 2021-22 Total Funds: \$23.4M

FY 2021-22 General Fund: \$0M

FY 2021-22 FTE: 114.9

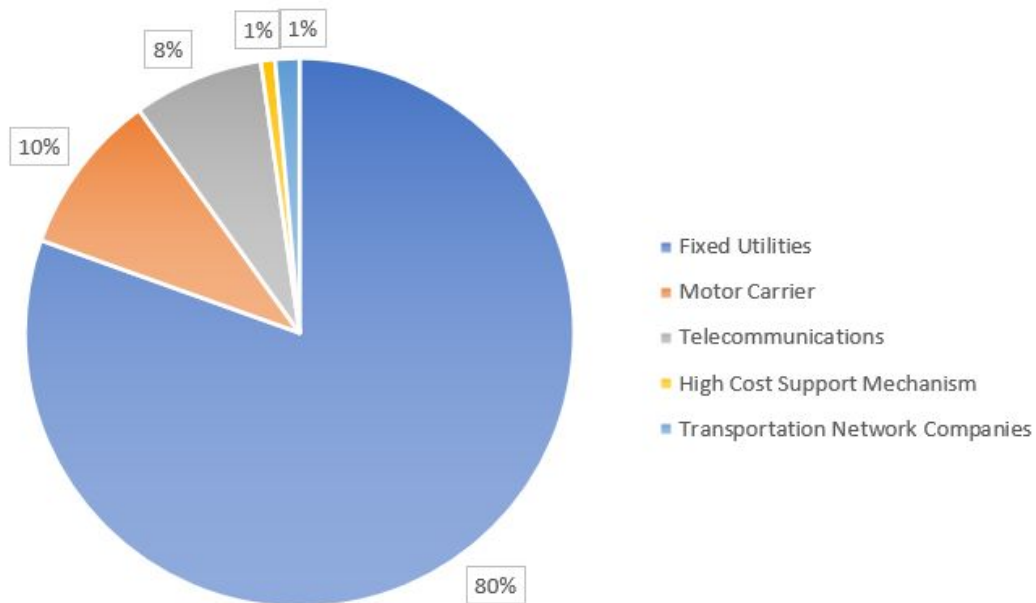


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PUC FY21/22 Revenues (projected, including revenue funding UCA, and excluding grant and transfer items)



Legislative Highlight

The Department respectfully requests the General Assembly consider legislation on the following:

- Ensure fiscal solvency for the Public Utilities Commission's regulation of motor carriers to ensure public safety by stabilizing the Motor Carrier Fund.



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Regulatory Agenda

2022 Proposed Rulemaking Agenda

- Natural Gas Planning, Clean Heat Plans and Demand Side Management Programs (HB21-1238 and SB21-264)
- Transmission Planning (SB21-72)
- Renewable Energy Standards Reporting and Compliance and Net Metering
- Rail Fixed Guideway State Safety Oversight Updates Federal Rule Changes
- Rail Civil Penalties (SB19-236)
- Taxi Carriers - Hours of Service and Other Safety Updates
- Pipeline Safety Updates (SB21-108 and PHMSA Rules Updates CFR 191 and 192)



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Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion



In accordance with the **Governor's Executive Order [2020 175](#)**, the Department is in the process of reviewing data and preparing a plan to improve **equity, diversity, and inclusion**.

PUC Work Environment Statement:

We promote a common team culture that encourages the sharing of rewards and responsibilities and the fostering of intellectual curiosity; promotes pride and respect; and emboldens engagement and initiative to make this a place where people can do their best work every day.

Questions?



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